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SUBJECT: RUMORED NICARAGUAN PURCHASE OF ROAD-BUILDING EQUIPMENT

1. LOCAL CATERPILLAR DEALER REPORTS THAT THE GON IS SEEKING TO PURCHASE A LARGE AMOUNT OF ROAD-BUILDING EQUIPMENT TO REPLACE ITS AGING STOCK OF MACHINERY. THE LOCAL DEALER ALSO QUOTE HEARD UNQUOTE THAT THE GON HAS REQUESTED EX-IM BANK CREDITS FOR THIS PURCHASE. APPARENTLY THE GON IS SEEKING A LONG-TERM LOAN TO FINANCE THIS PURCHASE, THE TOTAL VALUE OF WHICH COULD APPROACH TWENTY MILLION DOLLARS ACCORDING TO SOME SOURCES.

2. TO DATE WE HAVE HEARD ONLY RUMORS, AND WE WOULD LIKE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THIS PLANNED PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT. WE ARE, OF COURSE, MOST INTERESTED IN SEEING ANY EVENTUAL PURCHASE MADE IN THE US. POST WOULD LIKE ANY INFORMATION THAT EX-IM BANK OR ANY OTHER SOURCES IN WASHINGTON MIGHT HAVE ON THIS RUMORED GON PURCHASE OF ROAD-BUILDING EQUIPMENT.

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